THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION No.7465 of 2007

Dated:12.04.2007

Between:

V.Sundari.

… Petitioner

AND

The Govt.of A.P., and others.

… Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioner's father was granted mining lease over an extent of Acs.154.00 in Survey No.417/18 situated at Konanki Village of Piduguralla Mandal in Guntur District for Lime Stone. The lease is valid for twenty years effective from 15.03.1977, and it was extended for a period of twenty years. After the death of her father the lease was transferred in her favour. The petitioner was required to submit an application for renewal twelve months prior to expiry of the second lease period. She alleges that due to ill health she could not do so. However, she applied for renewal on 12.06.2006 along with an application for condonation of delay in submitting the application. The same was not considered and no orders were passed. Therefore, the present Writ Petition is filed seeking a direction the first respondent to consider the application for renewal of lease and also permit the petitioner to carry on the mining operations in accordance with Rule 24(A)(6) of the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.

Heard the learned Counsel for the petitioner and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Mines and Industries, who does not dispute that the application of the petitioner is pending. Though this Court is not inclined to declare that the petitioner is entitled to carry on mining operations pending renewal application as it is filed with delay, this Court observes that the first respondent shall dispose of the application of the petitioner dated 12.06.2006 (if it is in fact made) within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

The Writ Petition, without the above observations, is accordingly

disposed of. No costs.

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(**V.V.S.RAO, J**)

12.04.2007

Note: Issue C.C by 16.04.2007.

B/o.

vs